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WITH the labor as well as the pleasure of our ANNUAL MEETING safely passed, we now look forward to a few coming months, into which for many of our Collectors, Branches and Bands, must be concentrated much good, strong, and practical work for the Society. If words of instruction and appeal are needed to quicken their interest in this Woman's Work for Woman, our teachers on the foreign field must speak those words:

"Now is the time to save these Eastern Lands for Christ. Progress and education are the watchwords of the day. If the Christian world does not supply the demand, the secular world is sure to do it. Teachers are coming now, who care nothing for the religion of Christ, and to them Buddhism is just as sacred as Christianity. The people demand instructors, and if Christ's followers send them not, the world will."

"The Japanese are hungering and thirsting for knowledge, and teachers enough cannot be found to occupy the places opening to them. Young men and women cannot be prepared fast enough to supply the demand. The calls that come to us for Bible women and educated Christian girls are many times greater than our supply."

## FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

### INDIA—CALCUTTA.

#### REVIEWING WORK.

*Letter from Miss Hook.*

LIKE all "Zenana Missions," our work consists of instruction, both religious and secular, to women and girls in Zenanas and in schools. At present there are 114 Zenanas, in which are 130 regular pupils, and 22 schools, with 1178 girls. Of the latter, fourteen are in Calcutta and eight in the villages south of Calcutta known as Rajpore.

A "grant in aid" is received from the Government and the Standards of the "Educational Department" are used. We do not push the school girls, believing that if they are well grounded in the Fourth Standard at the early age at which they marry and leave it is as much as is good for their tender years.

A Bible lesson is given every day in the schools, and in Zenanas at *every visit*. There is also some purely Evangelistic work done, but much of that is irregular, as time liberated from regular work can be obtained for it. The parents of the school children are visited as much as possible.

There are four Sunday schools, with an average attendance of about 160 girls. In three of these, the girls are mostly the same as attend the day schools; the fourth is composed of girls, boys and grown women, and still another is for the older girls brought together for Bible study.

The working staff consists of sixteen lady missionaries and fifty-five native teachers and pundits.

#### PRINTED TRUTH.

During the past year an effort has been made to circulate Christian literature. Every month there are 500 copies of the "Child's Friend" given away, of the "Christio Bandab" 300,

and of the "Mahila Bandab" 210 ; part of the last are subscribed for. Besides these, throughout the year between 6,000 and 7,000 Bengali tracts and some 3,000 English tracts have been distributed ; many are given to the Babus at the stations on the route to Rajpore and have been received so pleasantly as to render it an agreeable work.

A number of books have been sold at Rajpore. A goodly number of Bibles had been given away, much larger than in any former year.

When one of our girls marries and leaves school she is presented with a Bible and our hearts have been greatly encouraged by hearing how highly it is prized.

In the Zenanas there are many proofs that the Word of God is taking root in the hearts of the women. Many, we think, are true believers and are waiting till they can publicly declare themselves Christians, and we, too, are watching for the time when many more will profess their faith.

It is a matter of thanksgiving that we now have many native converts, one of whom is working and others being trained for service. Last February a mother and daughter took a bold step and came to us, and are being instructed. We believe there were no mixed motives with any of them in coming, but only the Spirit of God moving their hearts. The home of the last two was a very good and happy one, where they had everything to enjoy except the liberty of worshiping the true God and Saviour they had learned to love.

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HAPPY, HEALTHY CHILDREN.

*Letter from Miss GARDNER.*

THE Orphanage is very full, and our one hundred and forty children are having their flannel jackets made for the cool weather, and will look very pretty indeed in these

bright red garments, for I have gotten the prettiest red I could find consistent with cheapness. As they flit about the place, especially in their grass grown play ground, they look like so many birds in bright plumage.

The children in the Orphanage lead very busy lives with their regular work. It is very seldom that they are allowed outside the compound, or enclosure; once in a while, however, enough conveyances are hired to send them all for a drive along the river. They are a very happy set of children, I assure you.

They are all in good health and spirits, a fact for which I am unfeignedly thankful. There has been but one serious case of illness since I have been here, and though they live in the simplest way—eating the plainest kind of native food and sleeping at night on the floor wrapped in a blanket—yet they are as fat and healthy a set of children as one would wish to see. That their lungs are in good condition would not need to be proved to one sitting at my writing table this morning listening to the sounds that come from the playground into which they have just been released from school. If you want to know what these children are like—they are just like a hundred and forty children *anywhere*, only differing from those at home in the color of their skins and the manner of dress, while their thoughts and feelings are the same.

A dear little child picked up in the streets, was brought here a little while ago, and the next day four children, whose mother, their only relative, had just died at the Hospital. This made five new arrivals in one week.

The children are all watching eagerly for Christmas! This year there are to be special prizes given for good lessons and conduct in school. Thanks to our kind friends at home, this one will be a season of great rejoicing with us, as it is with you. The little ones look forward to it for months and hail the day with as much joy as if they lived in a Christian land.



**INDIA—ALLAHABAD.**

A GOOD RECORD.

*Letter from Miss LATHROP.*

**T**HIS is the report of our work this year : We have Zenanas, 274—pupils, 390 ; schools, 37—pupils, 829 ; total pupils, 1,219.

The Mohammedan work has considerably increased, but the number of our Zenanas is less, because new schools have crowded them out. With the new year another worker who has returned to the station will reopen many houses. When I can be relieved from school work I go with one and another missionary to her Zenanas and come home strengthened with the feeling that if good can be done—and who doubts it?—they will do it. Such a houseful of happy, useful young ladies keeps me rejoicing.

The school we commenced on the banks of the Jumna still continues. We were told that an equal number of girls were waiting in another house a short distance away. The suggestion to unite with the school met with no favor, as they were either not of the same caste or not on good terms. Caste and quarrels are just about equal in their effects, I often think, in separating the people. We were told that the Mohammedans wished us to open a school for their girls and that a number of women wished to learn.

As we neared the river we passed groups of people on their way to bathe, all with baskets containing flowers and grain to offer. However many we saw going, more were returning, as it was nearly nine o'clock and the truly devout ones had been earlier on the spot. Quite nine-tenths we saw going or returning were women. There were usually some children in every group, and they had the air of being on a holiday excursion; not so the women, who walked quietly with the face half covered in their sarees, and often with bowed head, looking neither to the right nor left.

**INDIA—CAWNPORE.**

## OPENING BOXES.

*Letter from Miss WARD.*

*December 6th.*—Our boxes came last evening, and I was much touched by the kind remembrances and thought for me. All the things were useful. I passed the box of wools and patterns for crochet over to Miss Harris, who will use them in her Zenana work. I always try to select a present for each of our teachers here—as they, too, like gifts from America! It would gladden your hearts to see how they enter into the work and care which the boxes bring, and how, heart and soul, they plan for our yearly “sale” by which we supply our schools with their Christmas treats.

When any one asks “what to send to Cawnpore?” tell them, koortas, towels, table linen, wool patterns, dolls and any pretty fancy articles that will sell; nothing of real use comes amiss. It does not seem advisable to me to send out slates, as they are heavy and not at all costly to buy here. Please say to all our kind friends who sent us gifts, that all are useful, and helpful in our work. The thought for us, and our work, gives us pleasure.

## VILLAGE WORK.

*Letter from Miss E. C. EBERLE.*

*December 7th, 1887.*—I will introduce you to one of my villages, and let you know a little of what my work is there. The village is distant from Cawnpore about five miles. I always take an interpreter with me, for though I can talk a little with the natives I cannot say all that I wish to tell them about Christ, our Saviour. We pass by Mohammedan mosques and Hindoo temples, also a railway station, and meet with buffalo, camels and oxen, with pointed horns and strings of bells around their necks. We see men with almost every conceivable kind of costume, from a bed-quilt in the

cool season to a bit of rag. Women are there too, with rings on their fingers, in their noses and ears, some of them as large as a tea-plate, and with uncombed hair streaming about their dark unwashed faces. Some of the men and boys have their heads shaved with the exception of one lock of hair which is tied so as to stand out straight on the back of the head. I might go on filling page after page with descriptions of my surroundings ; but you well know that it was not to see the country and to study the manners and dress of the natives that I left my own dear land and came to India, but to tell them of Jesus Christ our Saviour, that He may become their Saviour too.

Reaching the village, I find myself surrounded by these poor ignorant and neglected ones ; everything that is repulsive is overlooked and forgotten in the one great desire to bring them to Jesus. When I began my work in this and other villages I took with me a few simple medicines, with which I gained access to the houses of the inhabitants. At first they were very much frightened at the appearance of a stranger, one so unlike themselves, in their midst. Women appeared in the door-ways, but to vanish at my near approach ; others looked down upon me from their house-tops, while a long line of men, boys and a few of the low caste less timid women in the rear followed me at every step ; dogs came forth to greet me with a bark or growl and altogether it was a new and strange experience. After one or two visits they were assured of my good intentions and came to me for medicine with as much confidence as though I were their old family physician. I am always greeted by a number of boys, in whom I am greatly interested. Touching their foreheads they say a salutation and taking my basket of books they lead the way to one of the houses where I always stop, and having called the family they are soon seated on the ground at my feet, these village houses having only the bare earth for a floor. Soon a number of women gather, and after a little pleasant conversation with them I ask them would they

like to hear a hymn and the answer is always the same, "Yes, we want to hear." Then there is perfect silence while I sing, "Jesus Christ, the Saviour of My Soul." Then I talk to them about Jesus and his love. They almost always say, "These are good words and what you say is true." I teach them a Bible verse and explain it. The boys are eager to learn, but it is a new thing for the women, who are not accustomed to learning anything. In this way I visit a number of houses in the same day, and wherever I go the women and children gather around me and I have the sweet and blessed privilege of telling them the "Old, old story of Jesus and His love." There is a boys' school in the place, and I want, oh! so much, to start one for the girls, as we have in other places. The other day one of the men of the village came to me with a Bible in his hand and some testimonials which I read and found that he was once the teacher of a Mission School in Cawnpore. He asked me to go to his house and teach his daughter. I went and found that she could read well. He is in favor of having the women and girls taught and is willing to have a school in his own house. We shall both try very hard to accomplish it. I have worked in three other villages and also in Cawnpore, besides my studies.

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MISS L. RODERICK writes: In one of my Zenanas lives one of the most gentle little wives I have seen. She makes a delightful pupil, as she is very industrious. She told me one day that when she had no time in the day to study, owing to press of housework, she has sat up till midnight to get her lessons. With STUDENT LAMPS and other modern conveniences this would not seem hard to do, but this "Bo" uses a lamp that her forefathers used for generations before her, and the amount of light such lamps give is no inducement to study, for it is only an earthen vessel filled with oil in which burns a thick wick of twisted rag, and placed on a high brass stand with a circular foot.

## JAPAN—YOKOHAMA.

### THE RETROSPECT.

*Letter from Miss Crosby.*

*December 19th, 1887.*—This year drawing to a close like so many in the past, has been filled with mercies and loving kindnesses from the hand of Him who crowneth the year with His goodness. We have now a family of one hundred and thirty-seven boarders.

Another cause of gratitude is that the Lord has brought Mrs. Sharland to our Home, to be a blessing to it in many ways. One way is through her rare musical talent, which she consecrates entirely to the Lord's service, by using it for the benefit of this work. She not only gives lessons on her piano, to the advanced music scholars, but trains all whose voices are susceptible of cultivation in solos, duets and choruses, selected from the works of the best masters.

It is really astonishing how well the pupils do, and some persons competent to judge, have said that their singing is quite equal to if not better than that in the highest musical school in Tokio. Besides the time that Mrs. Sharland gives to the music she devotes every morning to a special class of eight or nine who come to her room to learn English, and who for this advantage pay an extra fee, which is by her laid aside for a special object in connection with the work. Then too she gives lessons four evenings in the week to graduates remaining in the home either as teachers, or to take the post-graduate course of study, to some German and to others French, with both of which languages she is perfectly familiar, and all this time and talent are not only given freely, but she pays her own expenses entirely. Added to all she is a most genial, interesting companion. Now, do you wonder that I consider her coming among us as a blessing directly from our Father's hand?

Mrs. Pierson and her corps of graduate teachers keep the school machinery in active operation during the morning

hours, which are devoted to the English studies, while Mr. Kumans, our faithful native teacher, with one gentleman and two or three pupil assistants, carries on the Japanese department in the afternoon. With very few exceptions the scholars are studious, gentle and obedient, and I often wish that you dear friends at home could come and see for yourselves what an amount of work is constantly going on in this pleasant Home of ours.

#### MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

I have not told you anything lately of our Sunday-school and its Missionary Society. The former, comprises all the members of our school, with the exception of some of the older Eurasian girls, who attend the Sunday school connected with our foreign Union church, to which they all belong.

Our Sunday school began soon after the Home was established, but the Missionary Society was not formed until the autumn of 1875. Since then it has been well sustained, holding its meetings regularly once a month (except during the summer vacation), when a collection is taken which has averaged about two cents apiece, Japanese money, or rather less than a cent and a half United States currency. The total amount of these collections is nearly one hundred and forty dollars. The money has been devoted to different objects from time to time, according to the vote of the scholars. Sometimes it has been used for evangelistic work in Japan, sometimes to relieve the poor and sick, and once ten dollars were sent to help the mission work among the women in Soochow, China. There is much interest manifested in bringing items of Missionary intelligence before the meetings, or presenting cases that seem to call for aid. At the last meeting one of the teachers mentioned that one of our former scholars who is married and whom she visited with me last summer, has a widowed sister, with a child, living with her and both of them dependent upon her. Her husband, who is an evangelist, receives a very small salary and they have

three children, but they have been kindly taking care of this sister, who is a helpless cripple, without any assistance from outside until last summer. When the case was presented to the school they all gladly voted to send her five dollars for a Christmas present. The sister is remarkable as a teacher of the Bible and has been having a large class come to her for instruction. She is also teaching rich lessons of faith and patience by the cheerful fortitude and submission with which she bears her sufferings. How true it is that God's people are one in their trials, and one in the experience of His grace, all the world over.

#### BROADER FIELDS.

During the year we have lost two of our earnest Christian girls by marriage, one to a Methodist pastor, the other to an Evangelist connected with the Reformed Church. Although one object that we have in view in training our girls is to furnish suitable wives for the Christian young men, yet we always dislike to give them up, especially when they remain with us awhile, as in the former of the above cases, and prove themselves efficient teachers and helpful in many ways. Then occasionally we feel obliged to give them up when they do not marry, there is such a demand for female teachers. We refuse very many applications, but sometimes the opportunity for usefulness seems so plain, and if we do not seize it, there is a certainty some one opposed to Christ will be put in the place, we feel obliged at any sacrifice to let one of our Christian girls accept the offered situation. Under such circumstances we let Hisa Saraki go to be governess in the family of the Governor of one of the northern provinces. The engagement was only for a year, but they wish her to remain longer and take charge of a large school, or rather be the principal teacher in it. The matter is not yet decided. She has done well and won the esteem of the Governor and family, who treat her with great kindness and respect.

## MEDICAL REPORT.

*Letter from* Dr. A. D. KELSEY.

Report of patients treated in 1887 : Surgical, 31 ; medical, 700 ; eye, 107 ; ear, 19 ; unclassified, 269 ; total, 1,126. No of treatments given, 3,487 ; no of visits made, 949.

Our record of works looks very small by the side of those who have Hospitals, but it must be borne in mind that our work consists largely in visiting patients, often widely separated, and that much time is consumed in doing what counts up very slowly.

## SPIRITUAL BLESSING.

*Letter from* Mrs. PIERSON.

*December 9th, 1887.*—We have been greatly refreshed recently with a new revival, in which the hearts of the Christians have been strengthened and inspired with greater zeal in the Master's service. The spiritual condition of our dear pupils is most interesting, and in the majority of cases encouraging and happy. Being anxious to obtain some testimony as to their faith, or the contrary, I resorted to these measures. I had previously written the name of each girl, in the Japanese character, on a slip of paper and passed them around to those assembled, saying, "Please answer the question, 'Do you believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, as your Saviour?'" by writing yes or no on this paper." While the papers were distributed the older Christian girls, not included in the number of those thus addressed, were praying silently for those from whom the expression was solicited. It was a most solemn meeting. About seventy answers in the affirmative were received. One wrote, "I believe as far as I comprehend." Last evening after our usual meeting in my room I asked those assembled to inform me in the same way, by writing, if they believed their sins were forgiven? A large



number of affirmative answers were handed to me, one saying, "Yes, I believe, but I do not feel the gladness of it. Pray that I may." God is able to save these little ones to the uttermost, coming unto Him through faith in Christ. A great work of grace is now in progress here. Oh, may it continue until every soul is fully redeemed!

I am not especially fond of traveling, and were it not that I feel it a sweet and solemn privilege and duty to proclaim Christ and His precious salvation, in many places, under many circumstances, I would scarcely ever desire a change of scene. The Lord said long years ago, "Say ye not there are four months and then cometh the Harvest; lift up your eyes and look upon the fields, for they are white already to the Harvest." Neither can we wait, for the laborers are few and there is much in this great field to be accomplished. I am hoping to take a short trip during the Christmas holidays to help some poor church separated from the larger centres, and where there are few to minister in spiritual things. One of my Bible readers, I'Kei San, is a woman of rich Christian experience, fervent piety and sincere consecration. Her faith has been tried in many ways, but is constant, strong and enduring. She has been visiting during the past year at the house of a Christian woman, the members of whose family were all idolators. These were the husband, son, daughter and daughter-in-law. Through her faithful teaching the last two have been converted and are now happy members of the household of faith; and some others have also been brought to Jesus through her earnest labors, pure example and faithful prayers.

She, with the members of the advanced Bible class, has her regular lessons every day and is increasing in the knowledge of the truth. You will be encouraged and gratified to know of her work. We are all one in this blessed service for the Master, and especially we who are co-laborers in the same portion of the Lord's great vineyard. Let us love one another even as He has loved us!

## WELCOME GIFTS.

*Letter from Mrs. VIELE.*

*December 19th, 1887.*—The Christmas boxes have just arrived, and I will not wait until our children have received their presents to thank all the friends who have so generously contributed. I often think, when I get a package of garments from home, made by the girls gathered in Bands, that you dear friends are doing double work for God. First, in helping to train the children on your side of the world to work for the Master, giving them these lessons of reaching out after others less favored than themselves. Also in the aid, material and spiritual, that you are sending to these children so far away, and who are taught on this side not only to enjoy the comforts of the gifts, but to remember the Christian love that prompts the sending of them. There comes to them also this double influence for good, stimulating them also to deeds of love and usefulness in their sphere. All the gifts were useful and acceptable and will be gladly received. This year our school is very full and we all need to be on the alert with so many new pupils to look after. I have a family of thirty girls, who wear the same kind of clothing as your girls in America do. I try to be very careful about dressing them plainly and comfortably, but neatly, as I know that this is a practical part of their education. The Japanese themselves are beginning to put on our style of dress, and of course, as they do not know either how to make it or wear it, they often look anything but neat and graceful in their finery, and we who can lend a hand in this direction have much to do to instruct and help. We are having much spiritual encouragement just now in our work for souls. Not alone in our schools, but all over Japan, people are inquiring the way of the new religion, and so many are giving their hearts to God. Some young men who were converted in Tokio, in one of the mission schools, have been going about the streets, preaching to crowds, and hundreds have been converted. It has seemed like Apostolic times, so many turning to follow Jesus.

## CHINA—SHANGHAI.

GOOD NEWS FROM THE BRIDGMAN HOME.

*Letter from Miss Brunton.*

FORTY children are now in the Home, all seeming delighted to return. God has dealt kindly with them in preserving their health while away from our care. I now go into the city once a week and visit our three schools there. Last week I found forty-five children present. In each of these schools the children were examined and they answered very well and were delighted with some Christmas cards I gave them. Chinese children are very fond of pictures of any kind. We have a small, but good school at Mrs. Day's, eighteen children. If they all come every day I give them one of these little cards on Monday morning, and they are so eager to win them that I find they even manage to come up to the Church for morning prayers at eight o'clock, though school opens at nine.

Although we cannot see abundant fruit the seed is sown. An instance of sowing the Word broadcast, occurred last Sunday. A woman who heard the good news of a Saviour's love at the Hospital, while waiting her turn to see the Doctor came to Sunday school. She wanted to hear more about Jesus. Here she was a full grown woman sitting in Mrs. Day's class with the smallest children of the Sunday school! We must have simple faith in Jesus. As His word is a living seed, it cannot die, so it must bear fruit for His glory.

A friend of mine here, Mr. Wheen, very kindly sent me two sacks of cloth samples, out of which the children made thirty-six warm garments for winter use, two quilts and five hearth rugs. Last week the same friend gave a whole piece of gray stuff, containing fifty-six yards. We will make it up for winter wear. His wife came and saw the children's work and was much pleased with the garments made up of different pieces and so like "Joseph's coat." I trust the next box from New York will contain a good deal of wool for

stockings, for the children can knit very nicely, and I hope too there may be plenty of Knitting Needles with the wool. I go into the school every day, and three times a week I have my singing class. All the children are present then and seem to enjoy it very much. The Doctor and Miss McKechnie are anxious about the temperance cause and have been very successful in starting, so now I am having one of the songs from the temperance service translated into Chinese for our girls, to be sung at Christmas.

I was so glad to find that my favorite pupil, Sae Bau, is supported in America. She is a sweet, good girl, so obedient and cheerful, always bright and happy. I cannot say this of all the scholars, but comparing the Chinese children with the same class at home, the result would not be in favor of the latter.

#### A PUPIL MARRIED.

I went to see Kwae Tsung married. Poor child, she seemed so tired and weary, with such a heavy ornament on her head, which seemed to be made of metal flowers, wreathed round and round, with long strings of imitation pearls, and a few beads and leaves of metal strung here and there, reaching nearly to the waist. Her face was covered with a crimson silk veil, reaching to the ground. She had been very ill not many weeks ago at the hospital, and told me she felt very ill and faint. After twelve o'clock noon she was not allowed to eat, and after the marriage was performed, she was conducted back to her room, to sit there while all the guests were eating, the bridegroom included. Most certainly the Chinese bride has not a joyful day. The service was in English. Kwae Tsung could not understand much of it, but the groom did not speak much Chinese. Her husband is engaged in mission work. She will be a great help to him, for she is a good Christian girl. May God bless her in her home life and make her a blessing to others in her native land!

## CAUSES FOR THANKSGIVING.

*Letter from Miss McKECHNIE.*

LATELY we celebrated the Lord's Supper in our little chapel. Rev. Mr. Reed, of the Southern Methodist Mission, conducted the services, and it was very impressive. Mrs. Tsang, the Doctor's assistant, confessed her faith in Christ and was baptized. She has been a Christian for some time, and we have been hoping she would have courage to come out and declare herself as a believer. Her family have been greatly opposed to it. Her old mother-in-law told her that she thought she might have waited till she was dead before she did such a thing. We are kept pretty busy, though we have not the rush of patients that we have in the spring. One day we had a hundred and twenty-seven, the largest number since the vacation. The number in the house has not been as large. The "Henry Ward Beecher" bed has a very interesting occupant. The patient comes from a distance and has a complication of diseases. Her old father-in-law came to see her, and he looked about the room, and said that he could hardly believe that there was such a nice place for sick people to be taken to, it was so like heaven. The "Mary Pruyn Memorial" bed has a poor consumptive for an occupant, who begged to be taken in, although there is little help for her. She will hear the Gospel and perhaps receive the glad tidings and thus her future be brightened. The "Julia Cumming Jones" bed has a sweet little woman in it who had lost the use of her limbs and had not walked for some time. She has been with us a few weeks and to-day walked across the room without assistance and seemed so happy over it. I would like to write of something from each bed, but, as you know, every case is not interesting.

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No certificate or diploma is needed by the Chinese doctors, who are, as a rule, students who have failed to pass in the great national examinations for other posts; and they are most of them, as you may imagine, dreadfully ignorant. Respect for the dead body prevents their studying anatomy properly, and amongst other funny ideas they believe that a man has 401 pulses.

## DELIGHTFUL DAYS IN JAPAN.

*Letter from DR. MARY GALE.*

*November 8th, 1887.*—I ought to tell you something about Japan before I see the shores of China, which we are expecting to do some time this afternoon. I was a guest at the Yokohama Home from Friday evening until Tuesday morning, and a delightful time it was. The Home is pleasant and home-like; the teachers are such intelligent women, and the Japanese girls so attractive, that I experienced a feeling of mild regret that my lot had not been cast in such a pleasant place. I went on the roof over the front porch on Sunday morning, and lying in the warm sunshine saw such a view! In front, the shrubbery embowered English homes, with rice fields in the distance—green and fresh; to the left of the city, far below, with the beautiful Yokohama Bay stretching out to the sea, to the right the snow-capped Fujisan. When I saw this and remembered the flatness of Shanghai I sighed. But, this summer, when I traveled among the peerless hills and valleys of my own native land, and thought that perhaps I was looking on them for the last time, I was content I could give them up for new work and a new home—and now I mean to be quite content with low, flat Shanghai, for there are centred all my hopes and desires for the future. I found Dr. Kelsey with her Japanese pupils, who are as much at home in her office as though they were her own sisters—pretty, graceful girls. I spent one evening in Mrs. Sharland's room and looked over photographs while she gave a lesson in German to her special girls. I was with Miss Crosby at morning prayers and Sunday school, and best of all was the Japanese prayer meeting in Mrs. Pierson's room. About thirty women offered prayer and expounded the Bible. It is a pleasure to see the young girls so neat and graceful, learning the way of life, but it is a joy to know that these poor, sad-looking women are having opened to them all the consolations of the Gospel. It is a solemn, momentous day for Japan,

reaching out so eagerly to the English Protestant world for their choice gifts, ready to take Christianity among them. How they need the grace of God, that they become not nominal, but heart Christians! The missionaries of the Cross need prudence as well as zeal to reap the white harvest fields.

Is this to be the nation born in a day, Minerva, fully armed with the Gospel?

*Shanghai, November 10th.*—I arrived here as I expected on the 8th, but not as the rest did. The long journey is over, all its trials at an end, and the future has begun for me. May it prove as fruitful as it is fair in promise!

How we missionaries are watched and judged! It is hard to know just how to please everybody and ourselves and our Master at the same time. People seem to forget that we are made with the same sinful human nature as the rest of the world, and that grace has not done its perfect work even in Missionaries of the Cross. But I recognize an added responsibility from this position and it is well that we should feel that the eye of man as well as God is upon us in a peculiar manner.

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REPORT FOR THE YEAR.

*Letter from Dr. ELIZABETH REIFSNYDER.*

*December 1st, 1887.*—I send the latest report of the work. I do not consider the Hospital work as of greatest importance by any means, for I consider the schools and the work among the women just as essential, if not more so. It grieves me greatly that we have not one or two ladies that could devote their whole time and attention to this one branch only. But the good women do not come, and we hope and pray on, trusting that it will not be long before they arrive.

I send the Hospital report from December 1st, 1886, to December 1st, 1887.

Of course, the Dispensary is the great work as yet; it is so

with all Hospitals, and especially so with those for women in China. We get acquainted with the women, win their confidence, lead them to feel that it is for their good that we are here, and, last but not least, all these that come hear the Gospel from Mrs. Tae, the Bible-reader. She is a most excellent speaker, and so simply does she tell the story that a child could understand. In the year that has just closed we saw 17,780 at the Dispensary, of which 10,460 were new cases. This is for ten months only—as during August and September we were absent—averaging, as you see, 1,778 a month. 26,432 prescriptions were filled for the Dispensary patients alone. In the Hospital wards we had 115 patients. The past two years we have had to close entirely in vacation, and this makes a great difference with *In-patients*. Now that Dr. Gale has arrived we hope to keep our work without any breaks. It has always been a source of great grief to me to have to close, and yet it was impossible to keep on, tired as we were. If we only had a house to live in, near our work, we would ask for no more. But at present we are very cramped and work at a great disadvantage. If we can secure the land the “Wells William” Wards will be put up next spring. These, however, will be for Chinese patients only; in it we do not expect to have any rooms for ourselves, since it is for the sick only. I have written a little at length, trusting that some one will give of *their abundance*, only this and nothing more.

I cannot close without noting what the Chinese patients have given, also what the Chinese, *not* patients, have given, as well as the foreigners. We have asked for nothing, but much has been done.

#### BUSY HANDS.

We have been most fortunate thus far this month, from a financial point of view, as many gifts have come to us from the Arsenal officials, the Jubilee Fund, from Mrs. Gulick and the clerks of the Imperial Maritime Customs. Surely the Hospital has been greatly favored, as all came without asking.



The children are doing very nicely, not only with their books, but with their sewing and knitting. They have knit stockings for themselves, footed all those sent out from America, and are a very busy set of children! One little girl of mine has knit two pairs of stockings for herself and one for her sister. The children love to knit. In fact, all Chinese like to know how to knit gloves and stockings.

Dr. Gale has arrived and commenced the study of the language at once, as nothing can be done without it. Nothing but Chinese is spoken at the Hospital, so learning the language is absolutely necessary.

Of the boarding school, although you already have heard, yet it may not be out of place to repeat. There are now forty girls in the schools, ages varying from five years to sixteen. They are a bright set of girls, and among the number many are good, earnest Christians. The older ones are well versed in the Scriptures and you would be pleased to hear the intelligent answers given on Sunday to the questions asked in the Sunday-school. I see them there only, being busy all the week at the Hospital.

We have four day schools, numbering sixty-five scholars, who also are a part of our Sunday-school. They learn a portion of Scripture to repeat every Sunday. They all feel that the Sunday-school is a most delightful branch of the work, and the little chapel can scarcely seat comfortably all that come. As a rule many women are present and our numbers vary from 120 to 140 and sometimes more.

Miss McKechnie keeps the records of the Sunday-school, visits all the various classes, takes up the collection and makes herself generally useful there. As soon as the other members of the Mission are able, they will help with the classes; as yet they assist us by their presence and whatever else they can do.

Do not forget that we greatly need a good person for these schools and we trust she will soon be sent.

## HOME DEPARTMENT.

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### Annual Meeting.

THE Twenty-seventh Anniversary of our Union was held in the Chapel of the Clinton Avenue Congregational Church, Brooklyn. The Missionary addresses were given in the afternoon by Dr. Marianne Holbrook, of China, and Mrs. W. E. Knox, both of whom have visited our stations in China and Yokohama and gave their own impressions of our work. A full account of the exercises will be found in the Annual Report following the Report of the Board. This can be procured by applying to the Mission Room, 41 Bible House.

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### Important Notice.

THE Society has been reluctantly obliged to accept the resignation of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Johnson, who for twenty-two years have loyally and faithfully served as Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer. MR. Z. S. ELY will now serve as our Treasurer and the work in detail which was so lovingly performed by Mrs. J. E. Johnson will be divided into three departments. The receiving of money will be given into the hands of MRS. RUFUS WAPLES, to whom checks must be sent; other departments will be attended to by MISS MARY E. STONE, and the "Missionary Link" subscriptions by MISS HELEN KINGSBURY. We ask our friends to give these new officers their confidence and their interest.

It will be a pleasant thought to our old friends that Mrs. Johnson, dear to so many of us by her beautiful service and consecration, will serve as our Vice-President. In this position we may still be blessed by her counsels, which her years of experience render of incalculable value.

## Gratifying Testimony.

Letter from MRS. ABEL STEVENS.

OUR memories of your dear missionaries in the East will always be precious. Your Society is doing there a work which will be historical in all the future of the Church of God. I am sure that you cannot overestimate it; your laborers have obtained access to the homes, the mothers and children of the land, so inaccessible to male missionaries. The homes of the people once won to the Gospel, the country itself will be won. The memory of Mrs. Doremus is precious throughout those lands, we saw her portrait on the walls of the Zenana homes, and no female saint of the Roman Church is more venerated than she. I wish I could impress on the minds of the Christian women of America the real greatness of their present opportunity in all the East. The very foundations of its old heathenism are now giving way. Christian civilization is penetrating everywhere. It is a marvelous crisis, and all the churches of America should be up and on the march into these great battle-fields of the faith. Be assured there is no exaggeration in these statements. You are making history and future millions will bless your names.

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### “Epaphroditus Boxes!”

A HAPPY thought suggested by a paper entitled “Words for Working Parties,” from Rev. Dr. Syle, published in the *Female Intelligencer*, of England. Dr. Syle thus wrote:

“St. Paul mentions having received of Epaphroditus the THINGS which were sent him from Philippi.

“For observe, it was not money, it was certain *things* that were sent, and those of us who know how packages are made up can understand the interest with which, on their arrival, the elaborate cordings would be unloosed, and the successive wrappings removed, until at last ‘the things’ would be displayed. What these warmly welcomed things actually were,

we are not told, but if St. Paul (then in bonds) recognized many little contributions from Euodias and Syntyche, you may be sure it brought tears to his eyes, as I myself have seen to happen when a missionary box from home has been opened at the ends of the earth.

“Ah! you dear good friends at home, you little know the priceless value of such tokens of remembrance your missionary boxes convey to those who are much alone, and nourish their faith and hope in the absence of surrounding aids and influence. A very dear and very practical English friend after reading these words, commenced at once making up a box of “*things*,” pins, needles, tapes, hair-pins, scissors, thimbles, black sewing-silk, and the many trifling articles which missionaries could use or sell for the benefit of the schools. This energetic worker soon had an ‘Epaphroditus Box’ on its way, and shall not others follow such a good example?”

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### Time for Sending Boxes.

WILL our kind friends send us their Christmas boxes for all stations, if possible, early in May?

If packed securely and lined with waterproof paper *for sea*, please nail on the box, a card directed to J. H. Bigelow, Bible House, N. Y., Ninth Street side, notifying us of the same. Mr. B., our carman, will store these boxes for shipment and print the foreign address on the box.

China and Japan Boxes must be ready to ship the first day of August, and India boxes the first day of September.

As so large a number need to be repacked, we repeat the request that they shall be forwarded to us in May.

#### HOW TO PACK.

Please remember that to insure a safe journey for dolls, the heads must be carefully wrapped in a thick roll of cotton,

covered with stiff paper, tied on; the arms and legs must also be wrapped in thick rolls of paper. The box should be packed solid. A list of contents should be put near the top of the box and a duplicate list (having an approximate value attached) sent to Room 41. Each one of these items is important and should be observed minutely in packing articles for a long sea voyage.

H. E. B.

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## Pictures of the Hospital.

WE are indebted to Mr. C. M. Howard of Brooklyn, for the gift of fifty small photographs of the SHANGHAI HOSPITAL which are really an improvement on the large picture. These are to be sold for the benefit of the Hospital work, price thirty cents each, at the Room, 41 Bible House, N. Y.

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## Memorial.

MRS. A. M. DEALEY, of Columbia, Cal., founder of the Sunset Mission Band, of Columbia, Cal., was one worthy to be held in loving remembrance, by all the friends of the "Woman's Union Missionary Society," as one of its most zealous and active adherents.

In 1871 she organized this Sunset Mission Band, and for fifteen years, as secretary and manager, was full of zeal for the missionary cause. She rejoiced to make sacrifices of her personal comforts, that she might swell the yearly fund she was so faithful in collecting. Besides this, her living, active Christian faith was ever exemplified in prayer meeting, Sabbath school, home school and temperance work. How many souls have been spiritually awakened through her faithful ministrations, eternity alone can reveal. Her devotion to the cause of missions can be best understood by her words: "On account of the infirmities of age coming upon one, who, fifteen years ago, formed this Society, as a branch of the Woman's Union Mission Society, she feels it her duty to intrust this work now to more competent hands; but it is with the understanding and full expectation that this Sunset Mission Band shall never be separated in its relations, its work, or its interest, from the mother Society.

"Let it always be remembered that the Sunset Mission Band, of Columbia, is the first child of the Woman's Union Mission Society of America born on the Pacific Coast."

In remembering this dear friend, we pay tribute to the love of Christ, which alone can be the foundation stone of such excellence of life and character.

SEC. SUNSET M. B.

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## MISSION BAND DEPARTMENT.

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### How a Home Looks in India.

BY M. M'INTOSH.

YOU enter through a narrow passage which leads into a square court-yard. In one corner stands a tub full of water and several brass lotas; a large, flat stone is on the ground, and on this the inmates of the house bathe in turn. There are parrots and other birds hanging in cages, and three or four wet sarees put out to dry. You then step onto a narrow veranda, and at this time of the year you will find it occupied by beds, for the people sleep outside, as their small rooms are too close and warm. On one side of the bed you will find the indispensable hookah, and under the bed the pan-box which is so dear to the women's hearts, being a leaf with spices which the women are very fond of chewing. The beds are common and do not always look clean.

There are rooms that open onto the veranda and now you must go with me into one. This is bed-room, dressing-room and sitting-room. There is no carpet on the floor; it is smooth and clean. Two low cane stools are to be seen; against the wall is a row of wood and tin boxes and one clothes-horse, on which clean and dirty clothes alike hang. In one corner stands a dusty chair with three legs, on which are piled pillows. There are shelves built into the walls, and on them stand some books, sweets, medicine bottles, the household gods, small boxes and baskets, ink and pens—in fact, I could not enumerate the miscellaneous articles to be found here. Now, if you slightly raise your eyes, you will see hanging from the low roof a long bamboo; it is sus-

pended by a rope on either side, and on this all the winter bedding is thrown; to prevent it from slipping it is tied round and round with rope. There are two barred windows to this room. On coming out you have to your right another room full of rubbish, and not used; next to it is the kitchen; on the left is the store-room. There are no signs of neatness or comfort anywhere. It is like this in nearly all the houses, but there are some where the women are careful and try to be as neat as they know how to be.

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### “Ducks” Like Water!

BY S. F. GARDNER.

THE rain in Calcutta is coming down in torrents, flooding everything outside. It is the end of our “rainy season” and after a few hard rains like this they will stop altogether for the rest of this year. Then we shall have a month of *hot* weather before the cool season set in. Little dark, bright faces are peeping out of the doors of the school-room, and if they catch a chance unobserved they will dart out, take a run under the nearest spout or wade in the nearest puddle and be back drenched before you can say a word. I used to be anxious about it for fear they might take cold, but I find it doesn't hurt them. They have much the nature of ducks in that respect, and fortunate it is, too, for it rains so much at this season it would be impossible to keep so many children out of it altogether.

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SEED MUST GROW.—A little Mahomedan girl who had committed many precious verses from the Word of God to memory, was not allowed to return to school any more because her parents said “*these things stick in her head and we cannot get them out.*”

## The Second Crop.

BY MRS. VIELE.

**A**FTER our children had their own Christmas tree I had my cottage girls prepare the same tree the next day for about sixty poor people—men, women and children—whom we called in to the feast, and each had a present to take home with them. Some old women who had dresses given them could only show their gratitude by prostrating themselves on the floor in expression of their thankfulness. We all felt that this second crop of fruit on the tree gave as much pleasure to our girls as the first crop when theirs was all receiving and no giving. I want much to teach them how much more blessed it is to give, but sometimes I find it difficult to know just how to do this when they have so little.

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## My Christmas.

BY MOTO SEKUJ, A GIRL IN JAPAN.

**W**E had a Christmas tree the day before yesterday, and so I will tell you about it. It was very beautiful and delightful, decorated with dolls, books and other pretty things. I had a very pleasant time on that evening. At first the six little children recited some Scripture verses in Japanese. When they had finished the larger girls sang the Christmas carol, and then my class-mates recited the poetry, which was composed by Mrs. Pierson. There were also French recitations, singing children's hymn and original dialogue. They were very splendid and we enjoyed them exceedingly.



# BUSINESS DEPARTMENT.

## NEW LIFE MEMBERS.

- Miss Mary T. Blauvelt, Miss Anna H. Blauvelt, by Earnest Workers, Roselle, N. J.  
 Miss Isoline D. Brown, Miss Dey, by A Friend, N. Y.  
 Rev. A. A. Willits, by Constance Love Memorial Band, Louisville, Ky.  
 Master Sam Graves, by Mrs. H. M. Browne, Louisville, Ky.  
 Mrs. M. J. Sheppard, by Fairton U. M. Band, N. J.  
 Mrs. H. Foster, by A Friend, N. Y.

## NEW LEAFLET.

- No. 89—Hadn't it Better Be in Circulation? by Rev. James M. Gray, Boston, Mass.; price per dozen.....12 cts.

## DONATIONS.

We gratefully acknowledge the following gifts for our Mission Stations:

- India.*—From Miss S. Stevens, Princeton, one dozen chuddalis, forty-one jarmars, three koortas.  
 Package of koortas and jarmars, Mrs. E. B. Monroe, Southport, Conn.  
 Box for Dr. Kelsey, Chicago, Ill.; no letter.  
 Miss Cox, N. Y., four scrap-books for Cawnpore.  
 For Hospital.—Seven text-books.  
 Mrs. Wyckoff, Brooklyn, scrap-book and praise roll for Dr. Gale's work; also package books and cards from Invalid's Auxiliary; no letter.  
 Picture cards, C. V. R.  
 Barrel of linen, Mrs. La Grange, Albany, N. Y.  
 Scrap-book and cards, H. M. R., Fairview, Pa.  
 Box picture cards, Miss S. F. Smith, Brooklyn.  
 Cards, Miss Halliday, Brooklyn.  
 Bridgman Home, Doll for "Thankful," from young ladies of Ogontz.



## Receipts in December, 1887, and January, 1888.

RECEIPTS of the Woman's Union Missionary Society, from  
 December 1st to 31st, 1887.

### MASSACHUSETTS.

Amherst, Mrs. W. F. Stearn's School, 45; Mrs. Stearns for LINK, .50, . . . . . \$45 50	Mrs. L.P. Hickok, annual subscription, . . . . . 20 00 Boston, Boston Branch, Mrs. Henry Johnson, Treas. (See items below), . . . . . 117 00
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Haverhill, Haverhill Zenana Soc., Miss Sarah N. Kittredge, Treas., for Miss Ward's work in Cawnpore, 90; From Mrs. Hale, towards debt on Cawnpore Home, 20; also 6 elsewhere recorded, . . . . .	\$110 00
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	\$292 50

## RHODE ISLAND.

Providence, Providence Branch, Miss M. S. Stockbridge, Treas., Grace Church, Mrs. J. W. Angell, collector, for Rebecca Day, 70; LINKS, 1.50; St. John's Church, Miss M. Randall, collector, 50.50; Emily Waterman memorial fund, completed, 13; LINK, .50. Less expenses 1.50, . . . . .	\$134 00
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## CONNECTICUT.

New London, New London Auxiliary, per Miss Mary Parker Clark, 67; also 3, elsewhere recorded, . . . . .	\$67 00
Windsor, Miss Anna M. Sill and sister for Miss Ward's work in Cawnpore, 50; for LINK, 1, . . . . .	51 00
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	\$118 00

## NEW YORK.

Albany, Miss E. L. Hill, donation and LINK, . . . . .	\$1 00
Bridgeton, D. M. Miller Memorial Band, per Miss M. E. Rose, for Addie Hand, in Shanghai, 14.50; for LINKS, 1.50; elsewhere recorded, 3, . . . . .	16 00
Brooklyn, Plymouth Missionary Society, Miss Elizabeth Stoughton, Treas., for the "Ruthy B. Hutchinson Bed" in Shanghai Hospital, . . . . .	100 00
The Misses Thurston, donation and LINK, . . . . .	20 50
Mrs. Charles G. Crocker, annual subscription, . . . . .	20 00
Mrs. C. P. Lane, in memory of Miss M. A. Gardiner, . . . . .	5 00
Irrington, Mrs. Washington Choate, added to collections, . . . . .	5 00
Ithaca, Ladies of Ithaca, per Miss J. L. Hardy, Presbyterian Church, for Miss Ward's salary, 98.90; Mrs. Williams for LINK, .50, . . . . .	99 40
New York, Miss Mary Crosby for Japan Home, 50; and LINK subscription, .50, . . . . .	50 50
Miss Emma A. Brown, Thank-offering, . . . . .	1 00
Mrs. R. P. Smyth, Christmas gift and LINK, . . . . .	5 50

Mrs. R. I. Brown for Sarah Jane Cobb and Anna Catherine Cobb in Calcutta, . . . . .	\$500 00
A friend, . . . . .	3 00
Invalids' Auxiliary, per Mrs. W. S. Mikels, 2.12; also from Miss E. C., .25; Miss L. McC., .20; Miss C. S. P., .10; Miss C. A. S., .15; Mrs. Wm. C., 1; Misses A. and C. C., 25; Miss E. S. G., .50; K. S. B., 2.12; T. B. C., .50; E. N. S., .50; A. G. C. Associated, 1; M. M., .50; E. A. J., .25; Little Claude, bright and new, .01; Mrs. C. J., .50; L. A. M., .17; E. O., 1; B. E. B., .25; A. P., .25, . . . . .	11 62
Collected by Mrs. W. S. Mikels: Mrs. T. Page, 1; Mrs. I. P. Brush, 1; Mrs. A. D. Cooper, 1; Mrs. J. Hart, 1; Mrs. J. Springstein, 1; Mrs. J. Carpenter, .50; Mrs. F. Gardiner, .50; Mrs. H. M. Kemp, 3; Mrs. F. H. Tooker, 3; Mrs. W. S. Mikels, 3; Mrs. I. N. Burdick, 2; Mrs. S. P. White and LINK, 2; Mrs. W. H. Dunning, 1; Mrs. Flanagan, 1; Mrs. E. Decker, 1; Mrs. C. E. White, 1; Mrs. J. Chace, 1; Mrs. L. Fenton, 1; Mrs. Josephine Smith, 1, . . . . .	26 50
Mrs. W. S. Mikels, through Miss E. W. Beers, raised by the "A. B. C. Method," for Shanghai, . . . . .	50 25
Mrs. D. J. Ely, annual subscription, 25; and elsewhere recorded, 10, . . . . .	25 00
Miss Laura Halsted, annual subscription, . . . . .	10 00
Mrs. Winthrop, per Mrs. S. A. Church, . . . . .	50 00
Owego, Mrs. Stella A. Parker, annual subscription, . . . . .	10 00
Poughkeepsie, Poughkeepsie Auxiliary, Mrs. G. W. Candee, Treas., for Miss Crosby's support, . . . . .	270 00
Rhinebeck, Mrs. William R. Schell, . . . . .	5 00
Rhinecliffe, Miss Maria Heermance, donation and LINK, . . . . .	2 40
Southampton, L. I., Southampton Sunday-school, per Mr. E. H. Foster, for support of Charlotte F. Post, Shanghai, . . . . .	30 00
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	\$1,317 67

## NEW JERSEY.

Cranford, Excelsior Band, per Miss M. A. Fisher, for Miss Halsey's expenses, . . . . .	1 00
East Orange, Miss L. F. Brewster, donation and LINK, . . . . .	3 50

Fairton, Union Miss. Band, per Mrs. M. J. Sheppard, and with 30 formerly sent to constitute Mrs. M. J. Sheppard Life Member, . . . . . \$20 00

Hamburgh, Bethany Band, per Miss E. D. Tucker, for child in Calcutta Orphanage, . . . . . 30 00

Highlands, Invalids' Aux., per Mrs. R. R. Proudft, for Mrs. Wong, at Shanghai, . . . . . 7 64

Morristown, Morristown Aux., Miss M. H. Maury, Treas., for salary of Miss Leach, Cawnpore, 299.50; LINK, 50, . . . . . 300 00

Drop in the Bucket Band, Mr. Richard B. Lyon, Treas., for support of Virginia Loyall Farragut, Calcutta, 30; for use in the children's ward of Hospital at Shanghai, 5.91, . . . . . 35 91

Newark, Newark Aux., Mrs. E. D. G. Smith, Treas., by Miss Few Smith, Second Presbyterian Church, a friend, 10; by Miss Avery, Woodside, 2; by Miss Wallace, Mrs. Dr. Allis, 3; by Miss J. W. Abeel, 3; less expenses, 10, . . . . . 8 00

New Brunswick, Union Mission Band; per Miss Anne B. Cook (see Annual Report), . . . . . 250 07

Princeton, Princeton Branch, Miss Ellen L. A. Brown, Treas., . . . . . 86 50

Roselle, "Earnest Workers," per Mrs. D. W. Berdan, for Miss Gardner's work, . . . . . 50 00

South Orange, through Foreign Mission Committee of Ref. Epis. Ch., Rev. A. M. Morrison, Sec., for work in Cawnpore, Church of the Redeemer, Wilmington, Del., per Rev. J. L. Esthir, . . . . . \$8 25

Bishop Cummins' Band, Church of the Redeemer, Baltimore, Md., per Mrs. T. C. Peebles, collected from Mrs. Cummins, 2; Mrs. Pearson, 1; Mrs. Levy, 1; Mrs. Hatch, 1; Mrs. Hiss, 1; Mrs. Tuttle, 1; Mrs. Peebles, 1; Mrs. Ely, 1; Mrs. Woods, 2; Mrs. Wright, 1; Miss Cummins, 2; Miss McClellan, 1; Miss Wright, 1; Miss Dulaney, 1; Miss Larking, 1; Miss Peebles, 1; Miss F. Peebles, 1, . . . . . 20 00

Holy Trinity Church, Philadelphia, per Mrs. F. F. Christine, Treas., Busy Bee Band, 5; Chas. Emory Band, 2.50; Mat-

thew H. Crawford Memorial Band, 28.25, . . . . . \$35 75

Grace Church, Scranton, Pa., per S. G. Smith, Treas., . . . . . 42 89

Christ Church, Barrie, Ontario, Canada, per John Dickinson, Treas., 24 00

Zenana Band of First Ref. Epis. Church, Boston, Mass., per C. H. Adams, Treas., . . . . . 25 00

Total from South Orange, . . . . . \$155 89

\$948 51

PENNSYLVANIA.

Allegheny City, Allegheny Orphan Asylum Band, per Mrs. C. A. Oudrey, . . . . . \$12 00

Miss Agnes D. Fraser, donation and LINK, . . . . . 2 00

Philadelphia, Philadelphia Branch, Miss C. Remington, Treas.: For Mary Arrott in Calcutta Orphanage, . . . \$30 00

For Thankful, . . . . . 30 00

" Frances Bennett, . . . . . 30 00

" Meta Jarné, . . . . . 5 00

" Miss Eberle's salary, . . . . . 81 00

For Dr. Reifsnnyder's salary, . . . . . 163 51

Balance due for LINKS, . . . . . 61 40

Total from Philadelphia Branch, . . . . . 400 91

\$414 91

MARYLAND.

Baltimore, Baltimore Branch, Mrs. Alex. M. Carter, Treas. (see items in Annual Report), \$700 46

DELAWARE.

Wilmington, a few interested friends, per Mrs. R. P. Johnson, . . . . . \$35 00

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Washington, Mrs. Fitzhugh Coyle, annual subscription, . . . . . \$10 00

OHIO.

Dayton, Mrs. S. L. Winters, for two schools in Cawnpore, 100, and Miss Clara Winters, for "Tarrock," in Calcutta Orphanage, 30, . . . . . \$130 00

Oxford, Miss Carrie D. White, donation and LINK, . . . . . 1 00

\$131 00

ILLINOIS.

Chicago, Chicago Branch, Mrs. O. F. Avery, Sec. and Treas. (see items below), . . . \$260 75

KENTUCKY.

Franklin, Dorinda Band, per Mrs. D. A. Duncan, for Iwazaki O Kin son, . . . \$20 00  
 Louisville, Kentucky, Branch, Mrs. S. J. Look, Treas. (see items in Annual Report), . . . 68 41

\$88 41

MISSOURI.

St. Louis, St. Louis Aux., Mrs. S. W. Barber, Treas., for Shurkie, Bible-reader in Calcutta, LINK subscriptions from Mrs. Edgar Miller, Mrs. J. L. Pearce, Mrs. W. F. Boyle, Mrs. C. T. Charless and Mrs. J. M. Carpenter, . . . 2 50  
 Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Barber, for Sarah, in Miss Gardner's new school, . . . 25 00

\$77 50

CALIFORNIA.

Columbia, Sunset Mission Band, Miss Elizabeth: C. Stewart, Treas., Mr. Dealey, in memory of Mrs. Dealey, 2; Mrs. Ward, in memory of her mother, 1; Mrs. Ward, 1; Mrs. Ward, for her daughter Louisa, 1; Miss Jessie M. Stewart, 1.50; Miss E. C. Stewart, 1.50; Miss L. McKenzie, 1.50; Mrs. S. Knapp, .50; Miss May Mansfield, .50; Miss Fannie Mansfield, .50; Mrs. Helen Mandeville, in memory of Gertrude, 1; Mrs. H. Sevensing, 1; Mrs. Ann Morgan, 1; Mrs. Louderback, .50; Elmore Dealey, .50; A. H. Croco, .25; Mrs. Silva, .25; extra contributions, 4.50, . . . \$20 00

SALES OF PUBLICATIONS.

Subscriptions to MISSIONARY LINK, per Miss Westfall, Chicago, 2.50; smaller subscriptions, 10.80, . . . \$13 30  
 Leaflets, Mrs. Miller, for "Givers for Jesus," . . . 5 25  
 Other sales of leaflets, . . . 87  
 Expressage for Miss Gardner, . . . 15

Duplicate money order, . . . \$19 57  
 Interest on Williamson Funds, . . . 10 00  
 Interest on Reserve Fund, . . . 737 50  
 Received in December, towards purchase of Statue "Agnus Dei," and for Medical Mission Work (see list below), . . . 637 05

Also acknowledged in July LINK, for statue, but not there included in general fund, . . . 46 25  
 . . . 97 00

Total receipts from December 1st to December 31st, 1887, . . . \$6,096 08

MRS. J. E. JOHNSON,  
*Asst. Treas.*

RECEIVED towards purchase of Statue "Agnus Dei," and to aid the Medical Mission Work in Shanghai.

Amherst, Mass., Mrs. A. D. Morse, per Mrs. D. J. Ely, . . . \$1 25  
 Haverhill, Zenana Society, per Miss S. N. Kittredge, . . . 6 00  
 Bethel, Ct., Miss Frances E. Seelye, New London, New London Auxiliary, per Miss M. P. Clark, . . . 2 00  
 Albany, Miss Mary Pruvn Strain, Bridghampton, D. M. Miller Memorial Band, per Miss M. E. Rose, . . . 3 00  
 New York, Mrs. D. J. Ely, . . . 5 00  
 Miss L. Easton, through Miss E. A. Dean, . . . 10 00  
 Cranford, N. J., Mrs. J. K. Dohman, per Miss Fisher, . . . 10 00  
 Baltimore, Md., Baltimore Branch, Mrs. Alex. M. Carter, Treasurer, . . . 50  
 . . . 5 50

\$46 25

ERRATUM.—Two amounts given for Hospital were erroneously acknowledged in January number of the LINK, among donations for purchase of Statue, viz:  
 Raised by the "A. B. C. Method," through Miss Beers, 94.10, and through Mrs. Mikels, 56.  
 The fund for purchase of Statue therefore stands thus:  
 Acknowledged in July LINK, . . . \$97 00  
 " " Sept. " . . . 405 50  
 " " Nov. " . . . 512 11  
 " " Jan. " . . . 367 71  
 " " March " . . . 46 25

\$1,428 57

RECEIPTS of Boston Branch.

Through Mrs. E. A. Crosby:	Mrs. Jos. Benson, . . . . .	\$1 00
Mrs. George Dexter, 5; Mrs. A.	Miss A. M. Gregory, . . . . .	1 00
J. Gordon, 2; Mr. C. S. Kend-	" M. H. Faxon, . . . . .	1 00
dall, 2, . . . . .	Mrs. F. M. Chase, . . . . .	1 00
\$9 00	" Jesse Parker, . . . . .	1 00
Mrs. Walter Baker, for the	" A. Lovis, . . . . .	1 00
Margaret Williamson Hospi-	" F. E. Blake, . . . . .	2 00
tal, Shanghai, . . . . .	" S. C. Demorest, . . . . .	1 00
50 00	" A. H. Temple, . . . . .	1 00
Mrs. Jas. Foster, . . . . .	" Geo. O. Lanphear, . . . . .	1 00
30	" J. K. Culver, M. D., . . . . .	1 00
Mrs. J. D. Richardson's collec-	" James G. Lovell, . . . . .	1 00
tion: . . . . .	LINKS, . . . . .	5 70
Mrs. L. M. Standish, . . . . .		\$55 70
\$10 00		2 00
" H. C. Gould, . . . . .	For November LINK, . . . . .	
10 00		\$117 00
" G. W. Ellis, . . . . .		
5 00		
" Francis James, . . . . .		
5 00		
" Gilbert Wait, . . . . .		
1 00		
" S. C. Pierce, . . . . .		
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" Pheba Pratt, . . . . .		
1 00		
Miss P. A. Hall, . . . . .		
2 00		
" H. Dunbar, . . . . .		
1 00		
Mrs. H. Safford, . . . . .		
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RECEIPTS of Chicago Branch.

Mrs. O. F. Avery, towards erect-	Mrs. Albert Keep, . . . . .	\$5 00
ing a building for the Mary	Sale of infants' saccues, . . . . .	1 00
A. Merriman School at Cawni-	Mrs. S. J. McPherson, . . . . .	5 00
pore, . . . . .	" McBirney and Mrs. McPherson, for "Agnus Dei," . . . . .	1 50
\$100 00	M. A. H., . . . . .	50 00
Mrs. B. F. Gallup, . . . . .	Mrs. Sarah P. Gould, . . . . .	10 00
2 00	Misses Sarah and Henrietta	
" C. H. Blakely, . . . . .	Brooks (in memoriam), . . . . .	10 00
2 00		\$260 75
" A. M. Burdick, . . . . .		
5 00		
Primary Class of the Sunday-		
school of First Congrega-		
tional Church, taught by Mrs.		
R. B. Pruiszener, for Mitzu		
Sudzuki in Japan, . . . . .		
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Byron Band, Byron, Ill., Mrs. T.		
H. Read, Treasurer, . . . . .		
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MRS. O. F. AVERY,  
Sec. and Treas.

RECEIPTS of the Woman's Union Missionary Society, from  
January 1st to 31st, 1888.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.		Boston, Boston Branch, Mrs.
Amherst, Miss L. Boylston, two		Henry Johnson, Treas. (see
subscriptions to MISSIONARY		items below), . . . . .
LINK, . . . . .	\$1 00	\$573 50
Concord, Concord Branch, per		Cambridge, Mrs. H. S. Smith, two
Mrs. Henry W. Stevens,		subscriptions to MISSIONARY
Treas., for "Agnus Dei"		LINK, . . . . .
Fund, . . . . .	10 00	1 00
Wakefield, Miss Dow, for two sub-		Hatfield, Miss Eunice Morton,
scriptions to MISSIONARY LINK,	1 00	three subscriptions to Mis-
		SIONARY LINK, . . . . .
		1 50
	\$12 00	Hatfield, Real Folks Mission
		Band per Mrs. David Billings,
		Treas., for support of Tswae-
		ling girl in Bridgman Mem.
		Home, Shanghai, China, . . . . .
		50 00
MASSACHUSETTS.		Newton, Miss E. P. Whitney, two
Amherst, Mrs. Anson D. Morse,		subscriptions to MISSIONARY
annual subscription and Mis-		LINK, . . . . .
SIONARY LINK, . . . . .	\$10 50	1 00

Northampton, Miss. Society of Smith College, Miss Louise A. Husted, Treas., half yearly sup. of Mrs. Tsang, native medical asst in Marg. Williamson Hosp., Shanghai, 25; to complete sup. of Elizabeth Hopkins in Cal. Orphanage, 15,	\$40 00
The "Seelye Children" per Miss M. A. Allen towards sup. of Mary Seelye in Cal. Orphanage,	25 00
Springfield, Mrs. A. S. McClean for Dr. Reifsnnyder's work in Marg. W. Hosp., Shanghai, .	5 00
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	\$707 50

## CONNECTICUT.

Farmington, Estate of Mrs. Hebbard per Mr. W. M. Wadsworth, Ex., for sup. of Mary Elizabeth Adams in Cal. Orphanage,	\$30 00
New Haven, Mrs. F. B. Dexter, for sup. of T. D. Wheeler, mem. Scholarship in India for one year,	30 00
New Haven, Miss Rose Munger, Southport, Mrs. E. B. Monroe, for Yokohama Home, 70; for teacher in Calcutta, 60; for Miss Hook, 10,	140 00
Windsor, A Friend, for Dispensary at Marg. W. Hosp., Shanghai, . . . . .	10 00
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## NEW YORK.

Albany, Albany Branch, Mrs. Fred. Townsend, Treas. (see items below), . . . . .	\$32 00
Mrs. O. H. Johnson, sub. LINK, Athens, Miss E. Rouse, two sub. to MISSIONARY LINK, . . . . .	1 00
Astoria, Mrs. A. E. Smallwood, . . . . .	10 50
Mrs. Rapelye, MISSIONARY LINK and leaflets, . . . . .	1 00
Brooklyn, "Sister Julia," . . . . .	5 00
A Friend at 27th Anniversary, Mrs. E. W. Beers' collection; Mrs. N. T. Beers, 5; A Friend, 5; Crown Point, 4; Miss E. W. Beers, 10, . . . . .	24 00
Miss Churchill, . . . . .	5 00
Ithaca, Mrs. J. P. McGraw for Miss Ward's support, 50; for Jennie McGraw in Calcutta, 30; for Jennie's child, 30, . . . . .	110 00
New York, Mrs. Adrian H. Muller, . . . . .	10 00
Mrs. R. C. Geer, . . . . .	5 00
Miss S. A. Willet, . . . . .	5 00
Ladies' Miss. Society of South Ref. Ch. per Miss E. L. Suddan, Treas., for Orphanage in Calcutta, . . . . .	150 00

Miss. Bd. Willing Hearts and Ready Hands per Mrs. T. D. Bradford to purchase library for Chinnicock Indians, . . . . .	\$25 00
Seventh Av. Miss. School per Mr. D. Edwin Hawley for "Sarah Vernon" in Calcutta Orphanage, 30; for Miss Gardner's general work, 50, . . . . .	80 00
Per Miss J. C. V. for Marg. W. Hosp., Shanghai; Miss Emma Delafield, 5; Mrs. Samuel Sloan, 5; Mrs. Walter Oakman, 3; Mrs. S. B. Shiefflin, 2, . . . . .	27 00
Mrs. John Crosby Brown, for bed in Marg. Williamson Hosp., Shanghai, . . . . .	20 00
Mrs. H. S. Terbell, ann. sub., . . . . .	20 00
Mrs. Henry Eagle, don. and MISSIONARY LINK, . . . . .	1 00
Mrs. F. K. Trowbridge, ann. sub. and MISSIONARY LINK and Leaflets, . . . . .	11 50
Mrs. Theo. S. Smith, two MISSIONARY LINK subs., . . . . .	1 00
Miss M. Van Wagenen, . . . . .	5 50
Sag Harbor, L. I., Miss Frances Dering, MISSIONARY LINK, . . . . .	1 00
Smithtown, L. I., Smithtown Branch, Miss Anna B. Warner per Mrs. D. J. Ely, to complete sup. of child in Cal. Orphanage, . . . . .	15 00
Wurtsboro, Mrs. John Du Bois, . . . . .	5 00
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	\$572 50

## NEW JERSEY.

Allentown, Mrs. E. C. Holmes, for statue, . . . . .	\$1 00
East Orange, Mrs. F. W. Van Wagenen, . . . . .	10 00
Montclair, Miss B. Allen, per Mrs. W. S. Mikels, don. and LINK, . . . . .	1 00
Morristown, Mrs. F. W. Owen . . . . .	200 00
Miss Ella M. Graves, . . . . .	250 00
New Brunswick, Bethel Miss S. S., per Miss Anne B. Cook, half-yearly sup. of child in Cal. Orphanage, . . . . .	15 00
Newark, Mrs. M. F. J. Olhme for Waka and Masa in Japan, . . . . .	80 00
Passaic Bridge, Mrs. Charles Aycrigg, for Kashidori Sch'l, Yokohama, . . . . .	20 00
Princeton, Miss Stevens, for freight on box, . . . . .	2 00
Mrs. E. Stanislaus Jones, ann. sub., . . . . .	80 00
Short Hills, Mrs. H. A. Buttolph, South Orange, Mrs. A. M. Morrison, and two LINKS, . . . . .	11 00
Woodside, Zenana Band, Mrs. E. D. G. Smith, Treas., per Miss Avery, . . . . .	2 00
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	\$682 00

PENNSYLVANIA.

Easton, Mrs. Edward J. Fox, . . .	\$5 00
Miss Randolph, don. and LINK, . . .	5 50
Philadelphia, Mrs. Isaac Foudey, 2 LINK subs., . . . . .	1 00
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	\$11 50

DELAWARE.

Port Penn, Miss Sarah B. Cleaver, . . .	\$2 00
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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Georgetown, Miss Isabella Read, sub. and LINK, . . . . .	\$10 50
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VIRGINIA.

Norfolk, Mrs. A. B. Brown, an. sub. and LINK, . . . . .	\$2 00
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ILLINOIS.

Chicago, Chicago Branch, Mrs. O. F. Avery, Treas. (see items below), . . . . .	\$26 60
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Rockford, Mrs. A. L. Taggart, Miss Dorr and Miss Fitch for scholarship in Miss Gardner's Normal School, Calcutta, . . .	\$30 00
Mrs. William Lathrop for two LINK subs., . . . . .	1 00
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	\$57 60

Sales of publications; subscrip- tions to LINK; Mrs. D. J. Rey- nolds for 14 subs., 7; a Friend, 5; smaller subs., 22.26, . . .	\$34 26
Sale of leaflets, 1.70; Kardoo, 1.08; photographs of Marg. W. Hosp., .90; Chinese coin, .05, . . . . .	4 63
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	\$38 89

Total receipts from Jan. 1st to Feb. 1st, 1888, . . . . .	\$2,310.49
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S. D. DOREMUS,  
Cor. Sec.

RECEIPTS of Boston Branch.

Bridgewater, Zenana Band, per Miss De Normandie, for Miss Gardner's work, . . . . .	\$20 00
Dorchester and Roxbury Aux., Miss C. A. Vinson, Treas., Col. from St. Mary's Church for 1887. Mrs. A. A. Quincey Tucker, 10; Mrs. Bellamy, 1; Mrs. Glover, 1; Mr. Esta- brook, 2, . . . . .	14 00
Mrs. C. V. R. Thayer, for sup. of Miss Roberts, Cawnpore, India, . . . . .	400 00
A Friend, Savin Hill, Mass., for sup. of Yone Bible-reader in Yokohama 60, for sup. of Kamadini in Miss Gardner's Normal School, in Calcutta, 50,	110 00

Mrs. Burr Porter's collection, viz. Mr. O. Ditson, . . . . .	\$10 00
Mrs. Ditson, . . . . .	3 00
C. H. Ditson, . . . . .	5 00
Mrs. P. H. Porter, . . . . .	1 00
S. M. Marston, . . . . .	5 00
Mrs. Harvey Jewell, . . . . .	1 00
Mrs. W. B. Dinsmore, Jr., . . . . .	1 00
Mrs. W. S. Henderson, . . . . .	1 00
Mrs. P. E. Dinsmore, . . . . .	1 00
Dr. H. Ashborne, . . . . .	1 00
Lincoln House Band, . . . . .	50
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	\$573 50

MRS. HENRY JOHNSON,  
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RECEIPTS of Albany Branch.

Ladies of Cong. Ch. collection, per Mrs. E. L. Mallory, . . . . .	\$2 00
Mrs. Stephen Clark, ann. sub., . . .	5 00
Miss. Band of First Ref. Church, per Miss R. Van Schoonhoven, for patient in "Mary Pruyne"	

Mem'l Bed" in Marg. W. Hosp., Shanghai, . . . . .	\$25 00
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MRS. FREDERICK TOWNSEND,  
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RECEIPTS of Chicago Branch.

Mrs. Howe for Agnus Dei, . . . . .	50
Mrs. Melvin J. Neahr, 2 subs. to LINK, . . . . .	\$1 00
Miss. Band "Cheerful Givers," Wash. Heights, Ill., for sup. of Mary Howe, under Mrs. Viele's care in Yokohama, . . .	6 33

Union S. S., Wash. Heights, for same, . . . . .	\$18 77
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	\$26 60

MRS. O. F. AVERY,  
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RECEIPTS of Philadelphia Branch, from December 1st, 1887, to  
February 1st, 1888.

Through Miss H. A. Dillayé: Thank offering for Christian Homes of the "Ogontz School" for the education of "Thankful" and "Frances Bennett" in Calcutta Orphan- age, . . . . .	\$50 00	E. Church, West Phil- adelphia, Mrs. E. C. Benedict, . . . . .	\$5 00
Through Miss R. H. Stroud: Third Ref. Epis. S. School, Ger- mantown, for "Mary Arrott," in Calcutta Orphanage, . . . . .	30 00	E. H. S., annual subs., . . . . .	10 00
Through Mrs. W. R. Nicholson: B. S. H., . . . . .	\$100 00	Thank offerings, . . . . .	5 50
Mrs. W. R. Nicholson, . . . . .	2 00		
	102 00	Through Miss Hettie Oldden: Infant School of St. Paul's P. E. Church, . . . . .	20 00
Through Mrs. J. F. Page: Mrs. J. F. Page, . . . . .	5 00	Through Miss Mary Longstreth: Rebecca White, . . . . .	\$100 00
Through Miss G. V. Gould: Mrs. M. E. Dorman, in memoriam of Mrs. M. L. G. Patton, and to make Miss Sarah Gould a Life Member for the Hospital at Shanghai, . . . . .	\$50 00	E. H. Farnum, . . . . .	50 00
Mrs. M. B. McClure, . . . . .	1 00	M. C. Whitall, . . . . .	25 00
Miss G. V. Gould, . . . . .	10 00	E. F. Wistar, . . . . .	10 00
	61 00	Miss Frances Lea, . . . . .	10 00
Through Mrs. D. Haddock, Jr.: Mrs. D. Haddock, Jr., . . . . .	\$10 00	Susan Longstreth, . . . . .	10 00
" A. Manderson, . . . . .	3 00	Elizabeth Morris, . . . . .	10 00
Miss Ella Manderson, . . . . .	2 00	Theodore H. Morris, . . . . .	10 00
LINKS, . . . . .	1 00	Frederick W. Morris, . . . . .	10 00
	16 00	Anna Morris, . . . . .	5 00
Through Mrs. I. S. Williams: Mrs. E. F. Witmer, . . . . .	3 00	William H. Morris, . . . . .	5 00
Through Miss A. M. Anable: Miss A. M. Anable, . . . . .	5 00	Miss Julia Wood, . . . . .	5 50
Through Mrs. G. Albert Lewis: Mrs. Morgan, . . . . .	\$1 00	" H. W. Pearsall, . . . . .	5 50
" Wm. Carpenter, . . . . .	1 00	Mary Coates, . . . . .	5 50
" John A. Lewis, . . . . .	2 00	Mrs. John E. Cope, . . . . .	5 50
" C. K. Inglis, . . . . .	1 00	Miss R. F. Fennimore, . . . . .	5 50
Miss Vasant, . . . . .	1 00	Mrs. Thos. Sparks, . . . . .	5 50
Mrs. H. G. Jones, . . . . .	2 00	" S. W. Fox, . . . . .	5 00
Miss A. Taber, . . . . .	2 00	" F. M. Naglee, . . . . .	5 00
" Rittenhouse, . . . . .	1 00	" Evan Randolph, . . . . .	5 00
Mrs. G. A. Lewis, . . . . .	5 00	" Benj. Miller, . . . . .	3 00
	\$16 00	" S. R. Shipley, . . . . .	3 00
Interest from M. A. Boardman Fund, . . . . .	35 00	Sarah M. Taylor, . . . . .	3 00
Through Mrs. R. C. Matlack: Mrs. R. C. Matlack, . . . . .	\$10 00	M. S. Hinchman, . . . . .	2 00
" E. H. Williams, . . . . .	25 00	R. H. Taylor, . . . . .	2 00
Dr. Edw'd H. Williams, towards an organ for Miss Hook, . . . . .	25 00	Hannah Taylor, . . . . .	2 00
	60 00	Mary R. Haines, . . . . .	2 00
Through Mrs. J. Howard Smith: "Aftermath Band" Christ Memorial R.		Mrs. W. W. Paul, . . . . .	2 50
		Miss M. Longstreth, . . . . .	2 50
		Mrs. J. M. Hayes, . . . . .	2 00
		" A. Y. Mohr, . . . . .	1 50
		" W. F. Hall, . . . . .	1 00
		A. E. Winn, . . . . .	1 00
		Miss S. Wheeler, LINK, . . . . .	50
		Mrs. H. Benners, LINK, . . . . .	50
		Miss Benners, LINK, . . . . .	50
		Mrs. R. H. Downing, LINK, . . . . .	50
			322 50
		Through Treasurer: Miss A. Pechin and LINK, . . . . .	\$35 50
		Miss A. Kenney and LINK, . . . . .	5 50
		Miss M. J. Boardman, LINK, . . . . .	50
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